



The Magical Bond of Friendship

Once upon a time, in a lush green forest, there lived a brave forester. One sunny day, while wandering through the woods, he heard a tiny cry. Following the sound, he discovered a little child, named Fundevogel, perched high atop a tree! The child's mother had dozed off under the tree, and a sneaky bird had whisked the baby away.

The kind forester rescued Fundevogel and decided to bring him home. There, Fundevogel and the forester's daughter, Lina, grew up together, sharing a special bond of friendship.

One day, the forester had an old cook who was up to no good. She plotted to harm little Fundevogel! But clever Lina overheard the cook's wicked plan. She warned Fundevogel, and the two friends made a pact to always stick together.

The next morning, Lina and Fundevogel ran away to escape the cook's evil intentions. When the cook discovered their escape, she sent three servants after them. But Lina and Fundevogel were not ordinary children. With a special chant, "Never leave me, and I will never leave thee," they magically transformed themselves! First into a rose bush with a single rose, then into a grand church with a chandelier, and finally into a serene fishpond with a duck swimming in it.

The cook, determined to catch them, followed with the servants. When she reached the fishpond, she tried to drink it all up! But the duck, who was Lina, cleverly pulled the cook into the water, and the wicked cook met her watery end.

Lina and Fundevogel turned back into their human forms and returned home, safe and sound. They lived happily ever after, their bond of friendship stronger than ever.

And so, the story of Fundevogel and Lina reminds us that true friendship can overcome any obstacle, no matter how big or small.